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"7. (Confidential - JMM) Called Representative James Cleveland (R., N.H.)

and reported on the results of my trip to New Hampshire regarding the case. He seemed well satisfied.

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- "9. (Confidential JMM) Called Representative Louis C. Wyman (R., N.H.) and told him of my New Hampshire trip regarding the case. He seemed quite satisfied.
- "21. (Unclassified JGO) The Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee will begin hearings tomorrow in open session on the classification and handling of information involving the national security and H. R. 9853. Mr. J. Fred Buzhardt, Department of Defense, will be the witness on 8 and 9 March, and a representative from the Department of State on 10 March. Mr. Ralph Erickson, Office of Assistant Attorney Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice, is scheduled to appear on Monday, 13 March.
- "23. (Internal Use Only LLM) Lisa Gerard, in the Office of Management and Budget, called to ask if Chairman Nedzi had requested our testimony on H.R. 9853, the Hebert/Arends bill establishing a Security Commission, explaining that Mr. Buzhardt, Department of Defense, is scheduled to testify on 8 and 9 March, State on the 10th, and Justice on the 13th. She said the word around OMB is that the revised Executive Order on classification will be issued either today or tomorrow.

I reminded Miss Gerard that the Armed Services Committee was our oversight committee and explained their interest in testimony from the Director on the unique problems in the intelligence field, but that this runs against the long-standing policy that the Director not testify for the public record. I said one development might be an informal meeting with the Committee to brief them on the areas in which they are interested. I told her that until this is sorted out, it did not look like we would be taking a position on the bill, but that if the bill is going to move, we would most likely have to ask for some protection. She asked that we keep in touch as matters develop and I said we would."

/s/ JOHN M. MAURY Legislative Counsel

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